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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Tomoaki TAKAHASHI and Noboru TAMURA
INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS, METHOD OF CONTROLLING
THE APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING THE
METHOD RECORDED THEREON
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**
Our Ref: Q77106

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/768,811 (Confirmation No. 1315) filed January 25, 2001 of Tomoaki TAKAHASHI and Noboru TAMURA entitled INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS, METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE APPARATUS, AND RECORDING MEDIUM HAVING THE METHOD RECORDED THEREON.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 11 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration and Assignment as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2853.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/768,811 filed January 25, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-16176	January 25, 2000
Japan	2000-16177	January 25, 2000

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/768,811.



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Divisional of U.S. Appln. No. 09/768,811

Attorney Docket No. Q77106

- The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>12</u>	-	20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>4</u>	-	3	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$84.00	=	<u> </u>	\$84.00
Base Fee										\$834.00

TOTAL FILING FEE

\$834.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$834.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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